(d) and (e) The Government of India has introduced a new non-plan scheme for modernization of Prison administration to be implemented over a period of five years with an outlay of Rs. 1800 crore on a cost-sharing ratio of 75:25 between the Centre and States. The annual provision under the scheme is Rs. 360 crores including the repair and renovation of existing jails, improvement in sanitation and water supply and living accommodation for prison staff. Besides, the Central Government have sanctioned a scheme to set up 1,734 Fast Track Courts in the country for expeditious disposal of long pending cases and other cases involving undertrials on priority.

Crimes in Vasant Kunj, New Delhi

†1080. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to State:

(a) the number of incidents of theft, decoity, killings and rape in the capital specially in the Posh Colony like Vasant Kunj during the last one year;

(b) whether in order to check these incidents special security arrangement has been made by Government at the residential places adjoining to the Kishan Garh;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) The requisite information for the period from July, 2002 to June, 2003 is given below:

Nature of Crimes	Number of Crimes in Delhi	Number of Crimes/reported from Vasant Kunj area
Theft	15,539	225
Decoity	33	—
Murder	499	7
Rape	418	11

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b)'to (d) The steps taken by Delhi Police in this regard include establishment of a special picket in Sector-A, Vasant Kunj and deployment of additional police personnel for round-the-clock patrolling in the area.

Violation of Human Rights in Tamil Nadu

1081. SHRI A. VIDUTHALAI VIRUMBI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of petitions received by the National Human Rights Commission regarding violation of Human Rights reported to have taken place in Tamil Nadu during the year 2001-2002 and till date; and

(b) the action taken or proposed to be taken to address those issues?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SWAMI CHINMAYANAND): (a) and (b) The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has received a total number of 2720 complaints from the State of Tamil Nadu since 1.4.2001 till date. The Commission has taken the following action on the 2720 complaints:—

(i) It had called for reports in 766 cases. Out of 766 cases, 346 have been disposed of after receipt of reports. The remaining cases are still under consideration;

(ii) It disposed of 692 cases with suitable directions to the concerned authorities at the preliminary stage;

(iii) 1180 cases have been dismissed in limini; and

(iv) Fresh complaints numbering 82 as on date are in the process of being considered by the Commission.

Naxalites activities in Southern India

1082. SHRI CHO S. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the situation of the PWG and naxalite activity in various parts of South India;

(b) how many operations against these groups have been successful;